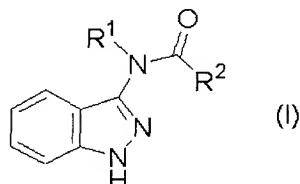


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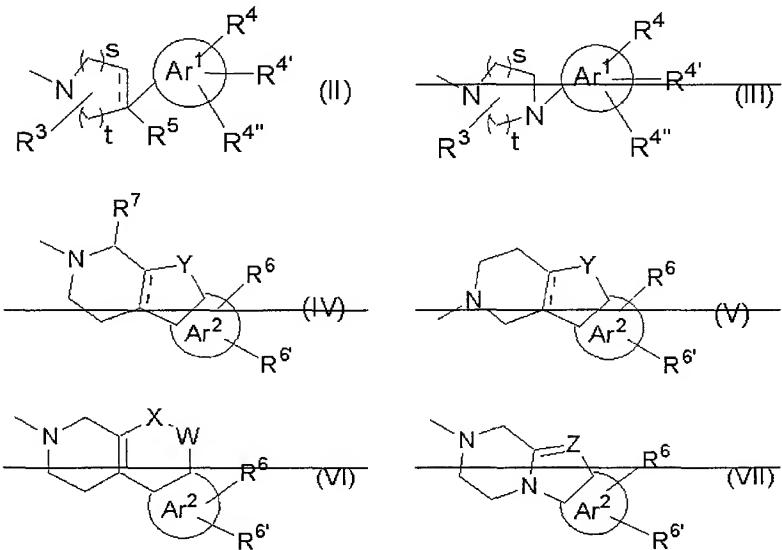
Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An indazole compound represented by the following formula (I):



wherein

R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, an optionally substituted phenyl or an optionally substituted aromatic heterocyclic ring, and

R^2 is any of the following a group of formula (II) to the following formula (VII),



wherein

in the formula (II),

is a single bond or a double bond,

in the formulas formula (II) and (III),

s is an integer of 1 or 2,

t is an integer of 1 or 2,

sum of s and t is 3.

R^3 is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, a hydroxyl, an alkoxy, a carboxy or an alkoxycarbonyl,

ring Ar^1 is an aryl or an aromatic heterocyclic ring,

R^4 , R^{4a} , $R^{4a''}$ are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, an optionally substituted alkenyl, an optionally substituted alkynyl, a hydroxyl, an alkoxy, a carboxy, an alkoxycarbonyl, an acyl,

$-O(C=O)R^{4a}$ (wherein R^{4a} is an optionally substituted C_{1-6} alkyl), $-(C=O)NR^{4a'}R^{4a''}$ (wherein $R^{4a'}$ and $R^{4a''}$ are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C_{1-6} alkyl, or $R^{4a'}$ and $R^{4a''}$ are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- to 7-membered non-aromatic heterocyclic ring), $-NH(C=O)R^{4a}$ (wherein R^{4a} is an optionally substituted C_{1-6} alkyl), $-SO_2NR^{4a'}R^{4a''}$ (wherein $R^{4a'}$ and $R^{4a''}$ are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C_{1-6} alkyl, or $R^{4a'}$ and $R^{4a''}$ are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5- to 7-membered non-aromatic heterocyclic ring), $-NHSO_2R^{4a}$ (wherein R^{4a} is an optionally substituted C_{1-6} alkyl), an amino, an alkylamino, $-SR^{4a}$ (wherein R^{4a} is an optionally substituted C_{1-6} alkyl), $-SO_2R^{4a}$ (wherein R^{4a} is an optionally substituted C_{1-6} alkyl), a cyano, an optionally substituted phenyl or an optionally substituted heterocyclic ring, or

R^4 and R^{4a} are taken together to form an C_{1-3} alkylenedioxy, and

R^5 is absent, or a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, a hydroxyl, an alkoxy, an alkoxycarbonyl, an acyl, $-(C=O)NR^{5a}R^{5a'}$ (wherein R^{5a} and $R^{5a'}$ are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C_{1-6} alkyl), -

~~NH(C=O)R^{5a}" (wherein R^{5a}" is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), an amino, an alkylamino, -SR^{5a} (wherein R^{5a} is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl) or a cyano, in the formulas (IV) and (V),~~

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~~is a single bond or a double bond,~~

~~Y is a carbonyl, NR¹⁰, an oxygen atom or a sulfur atom, wherein R¹⁰ is a hydrogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, an acyl, an alkoxycarbonyl or SO₂R^{10a} (wherein R^{10a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl or an optionally substituted phenyl),~~

~~ring Ar² is a phenyl or an aromatic heterocyclic ring,~~

~~R⁶ and R^{6'} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, an optionally substituted alkenyl, an optionally substituted alkynyl, a hydroxyl, an alkoxy, a carboxy, an alkoxycarbonyl, an acyl, O(C=O)R^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), (C=O)NR^{6a'}R^{6a''} (wherein R^{6a'} and R^{6a''} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl, or R^{6a'} and R^{6a''} are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5 to 7 membered non-aromatic heterocyclic ring), NH(C=O)R^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), SO₂NR^{6a'}R^{6a''} (wherein R^{6a'} and R^{6a''} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl, or R^{6a'} and R^{6a''} are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5 to 7 membered non-aromatic heterocyclic ring), NHSO₂R^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), an amino, an alkylamino, SR^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), a cyano, an optionally substituted phenyl or an optionally substituted heterocyclic ring, or~~

~~R⁴ and R⁴² are taken together to form a C₁₋₃ alkyleneoxy, and R⁷ is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl, in the formula (VI), X and W are any of C(=O) and O, C(=O) and NR¹¹, and NR¹¹ and C(=O), wherein R¹¹ is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl, ring Ar² is a phenyl or an aromatic heterocyclic ring, and R⁶ and R⁶² are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, an optionally substituted alkenyl, an optionally substituted alkynyl, a hydroxyl, an alkoxy, a carboxy, an alkoxy carbonyl, an acyl, O(C=O)R^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), (C=O)NR^{6a2}R^{6a2} (wherein R^{6a2} and R^{6a2} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl, or R^{6a2} and R^{6a2} are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5 to 7 membered non-aromatic heterocyclic ring), NH(C=O)R^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), SO₂NR^{6a2}R^{6a2} (wherein R^{6a2} and R^{6a2} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl, or R^{6a2} and R^{6a2} are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5 to 7 membered non-aromatic heterocyclic ring), NHSO₂R^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), an amino, an alkylamino, SR^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), a cyano, an optionally substituted phenyl or an optionally substituted heterocyclic ring, or R⁴ and R⁴² are taken together to form a C₁₋₃ alkyleneoxy, and in the formula (VII),~~

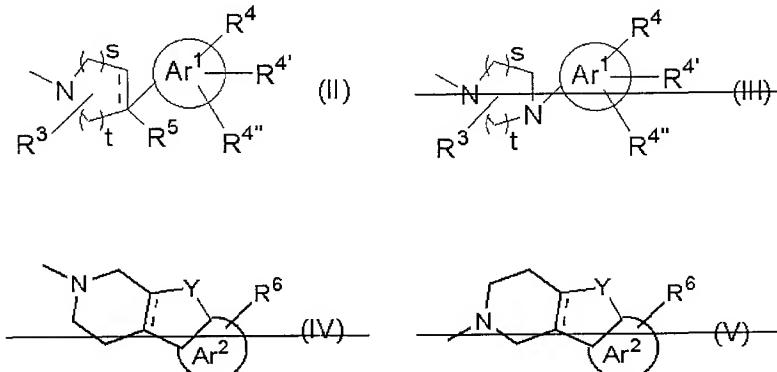
~~Z is a carbon atom or a nitrogen atom,~~

~~ring Ar² is a phenyl or an aromatic heterocyclic ring, and~~

~~R⁶ and R^{6'} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, an optionally substituted alkenyl, an optionally substituted alkynyl, a hydroxyl, an alkoxy, a carboxy, an alkoxycarbonyl, an acyl, O(C=O)R^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), (C=O)NR^{6a'2}R^{6a''2} (wherein R^{6a'2} and R^{6a''2} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl, or R^{6a'2} and R^{6a''2} are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5 to 7 membered non-aromatic heterocyclic ring), NH(C=O)R^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), SO₂NR^{6a'2}R^{6a''2} (wherein R^{6a'2} and R^{6a''2} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl, or R^{6a'2} and R^{6a''2} are taken together to form an optionally substituted 5 to 7 membered non-aromatic heterocyclic ring), NHSO₂R^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), an amino, an alkylamino, SR^{6a} (wherein R^{6a} is an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl), a cyano, an optionally substituted phenyl or an optionally substituted heterocyclic ring, or R⁴ and R^{4'} are taken together to form a C₁₋₃-alkylenedioxy, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.~~

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The indazole compound of claim 1, wherein, in the ~~above mentioned~~ formula (I),

~~R² is any of the following a group of formula (II) to the following formula (V),~~



wherein

in the formula (II),

is a single bond or a double bond,

~~in the formulas (II) and (III),~~

s is an integer of 1 or 2,

t is an integer of [[0 to]] 1 or 2,

sum of s and t is 3,

R^3 is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, a carboxyl, an alkoxy carbonyl, a hydroxy or an alkoxy,

ring Ar^1 is a phenyl or an aromatic heterocyclic ring,

R^4 , $R^{4'}$ and $R^{4''}$ are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, an alkoxy carbonyl, a hydroxy, an alkoxy, a sulfonamide, a mercapto, a sulfinyl, a sulfonyl, an amino or an alkylamino, and

R^5 is absent, or a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, a hydroxy, an alkoxy, an amino, an alkylamino, a sulfanyl or a cyano, [[and]]

~~in the formulas (IV) and (V),~~

~~is a single bond or a double bond,~~

Y is a carbonyl, NR^{10} , an oxygen atom or a sulfur atom,

wherein R^{10} is a hydrogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, an acyl, an alkoxy carbonyl or a sulfonyl,

ring Ar^2 is a phenyl or an aromatic heterocyclic ring,

R^6 is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, a cyano, a hydroxy or an alkoxy,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The indazole compound of claim 1, wherein,

in the ~~above-mentioned~~ formula (I),

R^1 is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl,

in the ~~above-mentioned formulas~~ formula (II) and (III),

~~-----~~ is a single bond,

s is an integer of 1,

t is an integer of 2,

R^3 is a hydrogen atom,

ring Ar^1 is a phenyl or a thiophene,

R^4 , $R^{4'}$, $R^{4''}$ are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, a hydroxy, an alkoxy, $-SR^{4a}$ (wherein R^{4a} is an optionally substituted C_{1-6} alkyl) or an cyano, and

R^5 is a hydroxy or a cyano,

~~in the above-mentioned formulas~~ (IV) and (V);

Y is NR^{10} ;

wherein R^{10} is a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl;

ring Ar^2 is a phenyl, and

R^6 and $R^{6'}$ are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, a hydroxy or an alkoxy;

~~in the above-mentioned formula~~ (VI);

~~X and W are any of~~ $C(=O)$ and O , $C(=O)$ and NR^{11} , and NR^{11} and $C(=O)$,

wherein R^{11} is a hydrogen atom,

~~ring Ar² is a phenyl, and~~

~~R⁶ and R⁶² are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl, and~~

~~in the above mentioned formula (VII),~~

~~ring Ar² is a phenyl, and~~

~~R⁶ and R⁶² are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl,~~

~~or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.~~

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The indazole compound of claim 1,

wherein,

~~in the above mentioned formula (I),~~

~~R¹ is a hydrogen atom,~~

~~in the above mentioned formulas formula (II) and (III),~~

~~----- is a single bond,~~

~~s is an integer of 1,~~

~~t is an integer of 2,~~

~~R³ is a hydrogen atom,~~

~~ring Ar¹ is a phenyl,~~

~~R⁴, R^{4'}, R^{4''} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom or~~

~~an optionally substituted alkyl, and~~

~~R⁵ is a hydroxy or a cyano[, and]]~~

~~in the above mentioned formula (IV),~~

~~Y is NR¹⁰,~~

~~wherein R¹⁰ is a hydrogen atom or a methyl,~~

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The indazole compound of claim 1, wherein,

in the ~~above-mentioned~~ formula (I),

~~-----~~ is a single bond,

R¹ is a hydrogen atom, and

in the ~~above-mentioned~~ formula (II),

s is an integer of 1,

t is an integer of 2,

R³ is a hydrogen atom,

ring Ar¹ is a phenyl,

R⁴, R^{4'}, R^{4''} are the same or different and each is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl, and

R⁵ is a hydroxyl,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The indazole compound of claim 1, which is selected from

[[(1)]] 4-[4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(3)]] 4-hydroxy-4-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(4)]] 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(6)]] 4-[3-fluoro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(9)]] 4-[4-fluoro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(10)]] 4-hydroxy-4-[4-methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(12)]] 4-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(15)]] 4-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(20)]] 4-(3-chloro-2-fluorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(21)]] 4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(22)]] 4-(3-chloro-5-fluorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(23)]] 4-(4-chloro-3-methylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(24)]] 4-(3-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(27)]] 4-(1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(28)]] 4-hydroxy-4-(3-methylphenyl)-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(29)]] 4-(3-cyanophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(30)]] 4-hydroxy-4-[3-(methylthio)phenyl]-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(31)]] 4-(3-ethylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(33)]] 4-(2,5-dichlorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(34)]] 4-[3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(35)]] 4-[2-fluoro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(36)]] 4-[2-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(40)]] 4-cyano-4-(2-methoxyphenyl)-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(42)]] 4-cyano-4-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(43)]] 4-cyano-4-(2-fluorophenyl)-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(44)]] 4-[4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-cyano-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(46)]] 4-(5-bromo-2-thienyl)-4-cyano-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(47)]] 4-cyano-4-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(48)]] 4-(4-bromo-2-chlorophenyl)-4-cyano-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(49)]] 4-phenyl-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(50)]] 4-(4-fluorophenyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(52)]] 4-(2-fluorophenyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(53)]] 4-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(55)]] 4-(3-fluorophenyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(56)]] 4-(2,3-difluorophenyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(58)]] 4-(5-chloro-2-thienyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(59)]] 4-(3-methyl-2-thienyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(60)]] 4-(2-thienyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[[(61)]] 4-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(62)] 4-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(63)] 4-[3-(dimethylamino)phenyl]-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(64) 1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(65) 9-methyl-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(66) 9-(2-methoxyethyl)-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(69) 6-(trifluoromethyl)-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(70) 6-fluoro-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(71) 7-fluoro-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(72) 6-chloro-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(73) 6-methoxy-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(74) 6-hydroxy-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(75) 7-chloro-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(76) ~~7-(trifluoromethyl)-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro-β-carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(77) ~~5-fluoro-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro-β-carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(78) ~~5-chloro-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro-β-carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(79) ~~8-methyl-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro-β-carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(80) ~~3,4-dihydro[1]benzothieno[2,3-c]pyridine-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(81) ~~6-methyl-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro-β-carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(82) ~~7-chloro-6-fluoro-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro-β-carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(83) ~~7-chloro-6-(trifluoromethyl)-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro-β-carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(93) ~~4-[4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperazinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(94) ~~4-[4-fluoro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperazinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(95) ~~4-[4-methoxy-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperazinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(97) ~~4-[3-fluoro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperazinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide~~,

(98) 4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-1-piperazinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(99) 4-[2-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperazinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(100) 4-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperazinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(103) 5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-2H-chromeno[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(104) 5-oxo-1,4,5,6-tetrahydrobenzo[e]2,7-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(105) 3,4-dihydropyrazino[1,2-a]benzimidazole-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(106) 3,4-dihydropyrazino[1,2-a]indole-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(108) 1-[(dimethylamino)methyl]-1,3,4,9-tetrahydro- β -carboline-2-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(109) 6-oxo-1,4,5,6-tetrahydrobenzo[e]1,7-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(112)] 4-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]piperidine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(116)] 4-[4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-methoxypiperidine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

(117) 4-[4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-3-methylpiperazine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(123)] 4-[4-chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-fluoropiperidine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(130)] 4-(2-fluoro-5-methylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(131)] 4-(3-chloro-2-methylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(132)] 4-(3-chloro-4-methylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(134)] 4-(3-fluoro-2-methylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(135)] 4-(5-fluoro-2-methylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(136)] 4-(4-fluoro-3-methylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(138)] 4-(3-fluoro-5-methylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(139)] 4-(2,5-dimethylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(140)] 4-hydroxy-4-[2-methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(141)] 4-hydroxy-4-[2-methyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(142)] 4-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,

[(143)] 4-(3,5-dimethylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide, and

[[(144)]] 4-(2,3-dimethylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide,
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The indazole compound of claim 1, which is 4-hydroxy-4-(3-methylphenyl)-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof[:].

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The indazole compound of claim 1, which is 4-(3-chloro-2-fluorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The indazole compound of claim 1, which is 4-(4-fluorophenyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine-1-carboxylic acid (1H-indazol-3-yl)amide, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claims 10-11 (Canceled)

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of an indazole compound of claim 1 [[,]] or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and ~~one or more kinds of formulation additives a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier~~.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 12, wherein said composition is in a form suitable for oral administration selected from the group consisting of a tablet, a capsule, a powder, a liquid, and an elixir.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 12, wherein said indazole compound of claim 1~~[,]~~ or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof~~[,]~~ is contained in an amount ranging from 5-95 wt% ~~of the active ingredient~~ relative to the total weight of the pharmaceutical composition.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 12, wherein said indazole compound of claim 1~~[,]~~ or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof~~[,]~~ is contained in an amount ranging from 5-90 wt% ~~of the active ingredient~~ relative to the total weight of the pharmaceutical composition.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 12, wherein said composition is in a form suitable for parenteral administration.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 16, wherein said indazole compound of claim 1~~[,]~~ or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof~~[,]~~ is contained in an amount ranging from 0.5-20% by weight ~~of the active ingredient~~ relative to the total weight of the pharmaceutical composition.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 16, wherein said indazole compound of claim 1~~[,]~~ or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt

thereof[,,] is contained in an amount ranging from 1-10% by weight of the active ingredient relative to the total weight of the pharmaceutical composition.